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SUBJECT: TURKISH TROOP REDUCTIONS IN CYPRUS

1. FOLLOWING IS EMBASSY TRANSLATION OF TEXT OF TURKISH GENERAL STAFF ANNOUNCEMENT GIVEN US AFTERNOON JANUARY 30 BY FOREIGN MINISTRY. (STATEMENT IS BEING GIVEN TO TURKISH PRESS FEBRUARY 1 BUT IS EMBARGOED UNTIL MORNING FEBRUARY 2.)

2. BEGIN TEXT:

AS OF THE FIRST WEEK IN FEBURARY AN ADDITIONAL 2000 MAN FORCE WILL BE TRANSFERRED FROM CYPRUS TO THE MOTHERLAND. THE
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FIRST ELEMENTS OF THIS 2000 MAN FORCE WILL ARRIVE IN THE

MOTHERLAND ON FEBRUARY 5. THE ARRIVAL DATE OF THE REMAINING ELEMENTS WILL ALSO BE ANNOUNCED.

THIS DISTINGUISHED UNIT OF HEROIC OFFICERS, NONCOMMISSIONED OFFICERS, AND SOLDIERS WHICH PERFORMED WITH GREAT SUCCESS AND DEVOTION IN CYPRUS DURING BOTH THE PEACE OPERATION AND THE FOLLOWING PERIOD WILL CONTINUE THEIR TRAINING IN THE MOTHERLAND.

SINCE THE PEACE OPERATION, AT VARIOUS DATES, A 10,000 MAN FORCE CONSISTING OF AN AIRBORNE BRIGADE, A COMMANDO BRIGADE, AND AN AMPHIBIOUS ASSAULT REGIMENT HAS BEEN WITHDRAWN FOR THE PURPOSE OF TRAINING. THUS WITH THE LATEST WHICH WILL BE WITHDRAWN AN EFFECTIVE FORCE OF 12,000 WILL HAVE RETURNED.

OUR UNITS WHICH REMAIN ON THE ISLAND ARE AT A STRENGTH TO CONTINUE TO PROVIDE SUCCESSFULLY FOR THE SECURITY AND PROTECTION OF THE TURKISH FEDERATED STATE OF CYPRUS. END QUOTE.

3. MFA SEC GEN ELEKDAG GAVE COPY OF STATEMENT TO AMBASSADOR DURING THE JANUARY 30 BASE NEGOTIATIONS SESSION. ELEKDAG SAID HE HAD MISTAKENLY TOLD MEMBERS OF CODEL MORGAN THAT TURKISH TROOP WITHDRAWALS FROM CYPRUS TO DATE HAD TOTALLED 5000. HE SAID THE CORRECT FIGURE, AS INDICATED IN THE TGS STATEMENT, WAS 10,000 AND AS OF THE END OF THE FIRST WEEK OF FEBRUARY IT WILL BE 12,000.

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